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"A cow has gone by from the settler's clearing," he said.

"No, no," answered Logan. "One big bull eik has gone past. I know what I fell you. See, here is where he nibbled from the leaves.

True enough, there were broken leaves lying directly in front of the imprints in the soil, and also bits of chewed stems from an aider tree.

"Yes; that's a big fellow, sure," put in Col. Washington, who just then rode back to see why the party had stooped, "and it makes my inger quite inth for the trigger of my rifle. Now, Logan, how far do you think that the elk distant, for it would like these boys to get a crack at him before the day is out?

"He is about five miles from here, replied the indian. "This sign is about two hours old, and they travel slow, in summer time. Wait, let me look closer at the trail."

He iumped from his horse's back, as he spoke, and closely examined the marks left by the elk, feeling the soil carefully with his fingers and placing them very slowly upon the Inside of the track. Then he looked up, smiling.

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ill with them, in spite of the well-known prowess of Col. Washington with the rifle; and so, when he heard the wolf how echong through the gien, his heart for a moment stopped beating and a chill of fear ran down his spine. Washington, too, seemed to feel some danger, for he began to hurry with his packing and cautioned Sambo to be quick, because they must be soon upon the march. It thus was not long before they began to defile from the rocky gorge, the pack-horse in the rear led by the negro boy, and Tommy behind them all busily engaged in cleaning his rifle as they picked a cautious way around the rocks and boulders. Suddenly Jack saw Col. Washington rein in his horse and lift one hand up in the air. Sitence! It he whispered to him, as he passed his bridle to his outstretched hand. Let me get down and scan this trail, it looks suspicious.

In a moment he was on his hands and knees, searching every inch of the soil and feeling of the moise earth with his fingers. Then, with a face which showed the seriousness of his thoughts, he jumped solfly to his feet, and came quickly back to where the three were calmly stiming on their quiet horves.

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